REPORTS

OF THE

SELECTMEN, TREASURER,

AND

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF-THE

TOWN OF MERRIMACK,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING MARCH 1ST, 1882.

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SELECTMEN'S REPORT

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING FEB. 28, 1882.

HIGHWAYS.

Paid John L. Spalding,	\$4 20
Newton McClure,	8 25
John French,	10 21
Tyler T. Longa,	11 48
George W. Moulton,	10 65
Rufus Blood,	26 50
George Watkins,	6 72
Alexander McC. Wilkins,	1 84
Daniel W. Trow,	10 00
Hazen G. Dodge,	11 31
John L. Read,	13 33
Ansel Longa,	9 97
Dana R. Hutchinson,	2 20
Hugh McKean,	1 00
Newton McClure,	14 92
Thomas J. Foster,	2 65
Chauncy A. Harris,	5 00
Samuel C. Hamilton,	3 00
Joseph Cross, District No. 11,	2 00
Benjamin F. Sweet,	3 00
Reuben Barnes,	1 75
Henry F. Herrick,	3 50
Joseph Cross, District Nos. 1 &	4, 11 38

Daild America Tomas	00 57	
Paid Ansel S. Longa, Horace S. Gould,	\$9 57 17 74	
Horace W. Wilson,	11 85	
John H. Bowers,	9 30	
	32 65	
George F. Spalding,	15 95	
1000,	33 10	
Albert A. Junkins,		
Geo. H. Seaverns,	2 52	
E. P. Parkhurst,	10 03	
Tyler T. Longa,	3 50	
Ansel S. Longa,	34 55	
Harrison F. Greene,	33 94	
Hermon S. Field,	20 85	
Levi W. Fisher,	14 25	
Reuben Barnes,	11 65	
Joseph Cross,	17 58	
David T. Jones,	7 30	
Daniel Jones,	7 84	
John L. Spalding,	4 00	
Dana R. Hutchinson,	53 53	ell, i
H. Bowers,	3 50	
Everett E. Parker,	20 42	
John Wheeler,	12 00	
J. L. McIntire,	9 80	
H. A. Lawrence,	6 80	
Dana R. Hutchinson,	2 25.	
Albert A. Junkins,	1 25	
	_	\$582 58
00%		
BRIDGES.		
Paid Newton McClure, for plank,	\$9 63	
F. D. Cook, plank and sleepers,	13 80	
D. A. Parker, " " "	18 93	
Fessenden & Lowell, "	89 60	
John Wheeler, cash and labor.	11 91	
		\$143 87

GENERAL EXPENSES.

Paid Wm. H. Kennedy, water	1881–2, \$6	00
	1881, 3	00
M. V. B. Greene, town	reports, 27	00
" " blank boo		
stationery,		81
Dr. W. W. Pillsbury, re	turn of	
births and deaths,		75
Elliott Whipple, for dicti-	onaries,	
special appropriation		75
J. L. Hammett, for school		
special appropriation		00
W. W. Pillsbury, for fixtu		
labor on maps, special	appro., 23	83
· Joseph Blanchard, keepi	ng and	
feeding tramps,	8	70
O. C. Moore, check lists,	8	00
Wm. M. West, expenses	of Benj.	
Ela and others on ac		
the extra school mone		11
Ansel S. Longa, mowing	bushes	
in old graveyard,		00
David T. Jones, for clay	bed for	
use of highways,	35	00
Eleanor Merrill, water 18	81, 3	00
Wm. Eavrs, damage to i		00
John Wheeler, bounty or		30
Joseph Cross, bounty of		
and hawks,	1	40
G. E. Patterson, bounty or	hawks, 3	20
Joseph Cross, expense to	Concord	
and stationery,	2	75
F. P. Jones, attending f	funerals, 33	50
Elliott Whipple, services		
committee,		00

Paid James T. Jones, services as school				
committee,	\$13	00		
Warren W. Pillsbury, services as				
school committee,	38	00		
Matthew P. Nichols, town treas				
urer,	40	00		
Wm. M. West, town clerk,	32	00		
Joseph Cross, selectman and use				
of horse,	97	00		
John Wheeler, selectman,	55	00		
Geo. E. Patterson, "	65	00		
Harrison E. Herrick, collecting				
taxes 1880,	60	00		
Dana R. Hutchinson, collecting				
taxes 1881,	50	00		
Wm. M. West, supervisor,	10	00		
" " auditor,	2	00		
Geo. W. Darrah, "		00		
Manufacture of the second of t	-		\$828	15
The state of the s				
TOWN POOR.				- 1
Paid C. A. Stiles for board and clothes				
for H. J. Truel at Co. farm,	\$130	00		
W. W. Pillsbury, for school books	*			
furnished for poor,	8	27		
W. H. Greenleaf, goods for Chas.				
Humphrey,	15	00		
Geo. F. Wilbur, medical attend-	10	00		
ance on Charles Humphrey,	24	25		
ance on charles framphicy,	21	20	\$177	52
and the second second second second				
COUNTY POOR.				
COUNTY FOOK.				

Paid S. C. Anderson, goods for J. B. Field, \$5 00

Paid W. J. Ayer, goods for Orison		
Sanderson,	\$4 00	
S. C. Anderson, goods for Orison		
Sanderson,	5 00	
	-	\$14 00

ABATEMENT.

Abateme	nt of t	axes	on	1879	list,	\$ 34	66
44	44	"	46	1881	u	25	41
Discount	on tax	xes at	t 5	and 3	per ct.,	121	48

Most respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH CROSS,
JOHN WHEELER,
GEO. E. PATTERSON,
SELECTMEN OF MERRIMACK.

We have examined the above accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

WILLIAM M. WEST, GEORGE W. DARRAH, AUDITORS OF MERRIMACK.

Merrimack, March 1, 1882.

There appears to be an error in the warrant given by the Selectmen to the Treasurer in 1879, which shows that the amount charged in the reports for the years of 1879 and 1880 were \$396.69 more than the amount committed to the collector in his tax-book for collection. The reports, therefore, for the last two years have given the standing of the town \$396.69 better than it actually was.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Town of Merrimack in account with M. P. Nichols, Treas.

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			\$8,856	95
leaf,	5	00		
for W. H. Green				
order overdrawn				
Joseph Cross, or				
lected on taxes,		00		
rick, interest col-		0.0		
Harrison E. Her-				
paupers,		00		
count of County		110		
Joseph Cross on ac				
Literary Fund,		15		
State Treasurer as		. ~		
Savings B'k tax,		26		
State Treasurer as		0.0		
Railroad tax,	634	75		. 1
Cash received of State Treasurer as		7.5		
on tax list, 1881,	4,121	85		
Cash of D. R. Hutchinson, collected		0.5		
for 1880,	1,071	65		
Cash of H. E. Herrick, taxes collected		0.5		
March 1, 1881,	1,174	50		
ings Bank, exclusive of dividends,		* 0		
Deposit account in Manchester Sav-				
By cash on hand March 1, 1881,	\$12	79		

DR.

To paid town orders drawn current				
year 1880,	\$258	55		
Paid orders drawn current year 1881,	1,708	95		
balance school money, District				
No. 3, for 1880,	158	50		
agents for the several school dis-				
tricts, 1881,	1,371	44		
school-house tax in part to Dis-				
trict No. 1,	20	00		
school-house tax to District No. 3,	23	33		
County Treasurer for County				
tax, 1881,	1,187	02		
State Treasurer for State tax, '81,	1,556	00		
Mrs. Eliza Wilson's note against				
the town,	1,009	52		•
Balance of deposit account in Savings				
Bank, exclusive of dividends,	1,474	50		
Cash on hand March 1, 1882,	89	14		
			\$8,856	95

FINANCIAL STANDING OF THE TOWN MARCH 1, 1882.

Due to the town from H. E. Herrick		
on his tax list for the year		
1879,	\$98	41
Due from H. E. Herrick on tax list for		
1880,	116	80
Due from D. R. Hutchinson on his tax		
list, 1881,	396	32
Balance of bank account, exclusive of		
dividends,	1,474	50

Dividends of interest on bank acct.,

due July 1, 1881, \$224 48

Cash on hand, 89 14

\$2,399 65

Deduct for liabilities as follows:

Due to School District No. 3, balance
school money, 1881, \$172 84
District No. 2, balance
school money, 1879, 9 59
District No. 1, balance
school-house tax 20 00

school-house tax, 20 00 Unpaid orders drawn current year, '81, 218 72

\$421 15

Balance in favor of the town, including the Wheeler legacy,

\$1,978 50

M. P. NICHOLS,

TOWN TREASURER.

Merrimack, March 1, 1882.

We have examined the above report of the Treasurer of the town of Merrimack and find it correctly east and properly vouched.

WILLIAM M. WEST,
GEORGE W. DARRAH,
AUDITORS OF MERRIMACK.

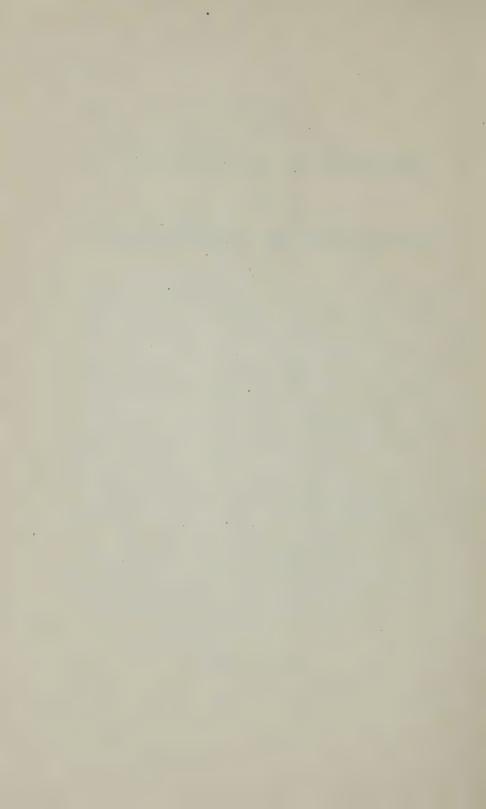
Merrimack, March 1, 1882.

DEATHS IN MERRIMACK

FROM

FEBRUARY 28TH, 1881, TO MARCH 1ST, 1882.

April 5th, Moses Hibbard,	85	Yrs.	11	Mo.	21	Days.
" Annie Hibbard.	86	66	5	44	15	44
" Infant of H. M. Carrol.						
" 30, Benjamin Ela,	71					
July 30, M. R. Wheeler,	62	44	7	44	2	66
Aug. 20, Ann Parker Hoitt,	72	46	4	44	7	64
" 26, Walter Reed,	73					
Sept. 10, Fannie J. Henderson,	64	44	5	"		
Oct. 11, Sally Harris,	88	44	3	44	22	44
" 29, Joseph W. A. Kittredge	, 22	6.6				
Nov. 13, Henry Junkins,	84	66	9	,,,	14	4.6
" 19, Harrison Eaton, M. D.,	69	66				
" 23, Eliza Franklin,	77	66				
" 26, Etta Barnes,	18	66				
" 27, Ezra Franklin,	81	44				
" 27, George H. Bixby,	40	66	2	44	14	44
Dec. 23, Louisa Sanderson,	23	44	9	44	16	66
Jan. 20, Eliza Jane Jones,	37	66	8	44	14	4.6
" 20, Mrs. Parker Bixby,	74	44				
Dea. Lane, formerly of	Car	dia.				



ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

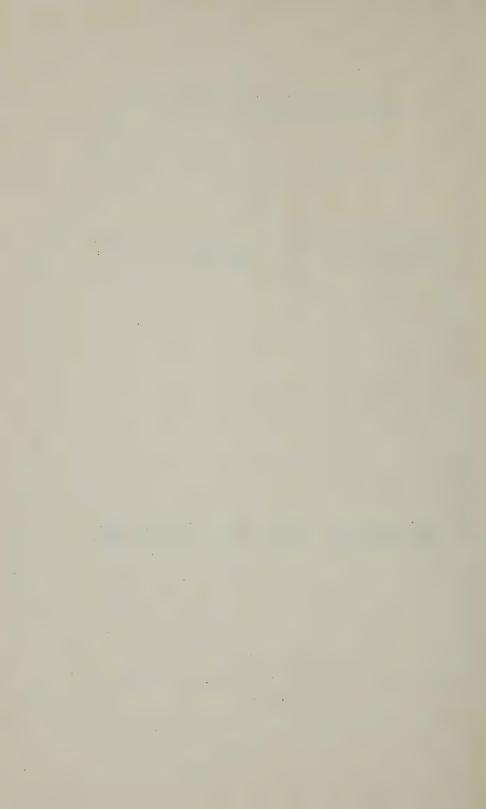
Town of Merrimack,

FOR THE

SCHOOL YEAR, 1881-82.

NASHUA:

M. V. B. GREENE, PRINTER, STATIONER AND BINDER, 1882,



REPORT.

The following is your committee's report, and is respectfully submitted.

In submitting our report of the schools we deem it best to drop the worn out forms of speaking of the schools by districts, for they mean nothing, or but little as a rule; the praise that we thought was merited has been bestowed during our official visits, and a report is certainly no fit place for words of fault.

Our teachers as a whole have done good and faithful work, some of them have steadily improved during the entire school year, whilst others have given your committees the impression that teaching is done wholly for the remuneration, and that impression has seemed to pervade the scholars making them indifferent and careless.

It is not every one that is fitted to teach, in fact but few are capable of making excellent teachers, and it is only the latter class that we want.

Parents, did you ever think what a great responsibility rests upon you in the bringing up and training of your children? This same grave responsibility rests upon the teacher, and we cannot be too careful in selecting those who will care for the moral as well as the intellectual welfare of these future men and women.

And in order to obtain and retain good teachers we must pay good wages and have a different system of

hiring them. The teachers of our schools during the past year were publicly examined and the following were approbated.

Miss Fannie E. Brown. Merrrimack. Fannie A. Darrah, Bedford. Mary E. Manning, Nashua. Lavinia I. Dodge, Marie A. Bowers. Merrimack. Flora E. Hunt, . Hortensia McMillin, Amherst. Lizzie C. Sargent, Laura E. Fellows. Fremont. Addie L. Flanders. Boscawen Ortic M Smith.. Londonderry.

We feel it a duty to condemn the present school system and recommend the adoption of the town system.

Says our able State Superintendent of Public Instruction:

"There is much to commend and little to regret in the supervision of the schools which have the services of superintendents and boards of education except the occasional selection of unfit men for these responsible stations. It would be in the interest of popular education for the law to add to the function of these offices the duty of employing teachers, instead of leaving it to prudential committees as it now stands. No man should bire a teacher, until he is informed as to his intellectual and moral qualifications for the place he is expected to fill, the examination should precede the contract and be made by the same party. If this was the law, nepotism, incapacity and district feuds would become rare and a higher order of teachers be employed in the schools."

Early in the fall a teacher's institute was held, and was well attended by teachers and citizens. It was expected that all of our teachers would have been present but such was not the case, some of them remaining intentionally away. Those that did not attend missed an enjoyable and, we trust, a profitable day's work.

During the year the Appleton series of Readers have been introduced, taking the place of Monroe's series, and, as far as your committee can learn, the change is a good one.

Of the \$150 raised at the last annual town meeting for school supplies we have expended \$139.58 as follows:

Ten sets Mitchell's outline maps,	\$75 00	
Ten six inch globes,	$25 \ 00$	
One gallon liquid slating,	8 00	
Five Webster's acad. dictionaries,	7 75	
Eleven fixtures for state maps,	8 25	
Six school bells,	8 00	
Miscellaneous and work on black-		
boards, etc.,	12 58	
		\$139 58

leaving a balance of \$10.42. We would ask an additional sum of \$65.00 to be raised for school supplies, clocks, reference books and any other necessary articles.

The blackboards throughout the town have been put in good condition and will not need much expended on them for five years.

The condition of some of our school-houses are monuments of disgrace to our town, some of them being entirely unfit for school purposes. Cannot something be done? Only one school building has been put in thorough repair and furnished with new seats,—since when, may I ask? During the past year there has not been \$5 expended in the town to make the school-room more comfortable or convenient, save what has been done by your committee to the blackboards.

We beg leave to call your attention to Districts Nos. 10 and 11. In No. 10 the sum of \$58.06 was paid for the

schools, it being their apportionment, and yet we did not have a scholar from this town present.

In No. 11 it cost \$60 to school three scholars ten weeks. Something should be done to remedy this, and we recommend the abolishment of this old system and adopting a town system.

ATTENDANCE

in the town, as a whole, has been very fair. Special mention is due District No. 8; during the past four years there has not been a tardy mark against any scholar, and the attendance for this year is 99 7-10 per cent. This is a record that the children and parents of that district may well be proud of, and in fact the whole town also.

A Roll of Honor appears this year, and some names that have been on nearly every year of late do not appear, but that is due to sickness or other unavoidable causes.

The whole number of children between the ages of five and fifteen, on the first day of April, as collected by the committee, was one hundred and sixty-one, numbered in the several districts as follows:

District	No.	1,					9
44	44	2,				. 0	15
44	66	3,					25
44	66	4,					22
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66	66	6,			•		7
64	66	7,	:				23
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66	"	12,					12
Γ	'otal						161

Table of Studies.

No. District.	Term.	Whole No. of Scholars,	Reading and Spelling.	Penmanship.	Arithmetic.	and the state of t		History.	Composition.	Drawing.	Vocal Music.	Physiology.	Book-keeping.	Algebra.	Philosophy.	Physical Geography.	Botany.	Geometry.
ă.	Summer. Winter.	9 15 15	9	11	8	6	6		I	2		ı	1	1				
2	Summer. Winter.	15	15	14	15	8	4		8	5 5	15 16		-					
2 3 3 3 4	Summer.	20	20	15	20	9	4 8		9	5	10		1					
3	Fall.	24	24	24	24	13	10						i				1	
3	Winter.	29	29	28	28	20	II											
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12	Fall.	20	20	16	16	14	6	2										
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Your committee have made sixty-nine official visits during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

WARREN W. PILLSBURY, JAMES T. JONES, ELLIOT WHIPPLE,

Superintending School Com.

Merrimack, March 1, 1882.

ROLL OF HONOR,

Including the names of all pupils who have been present every half day of a term without being tardy.

DISTRICT NO. I.

Summer term—Alice L. McIntire, Leon L. McIntire, Andrew J. Read.

Winter term-Allie D. Read.

DISTRICT NO. II.

Winter term-Charles H. Carroll, Laura E. Fretts.

DISTRICT NO. 111.

Summer term—Robert M. Gordon, Frank D. McQuesten, Charles H. Weston, Willie A. Weston, Mabel L. Lowell. Fall term—Robert M. Gordon, Arthur G. Gordon, Jerry C. Kittredge, Frank D. McQuesten, Edwin G. Weston, Willis R. Weston, Nelia M. Kempton.

DISTRICT NO. IV.

Summer term—Charles A. Goodwin, George H. Walker, Edward C. Moody, Nellie M. Walker, Martha E. Moody. Fall term—Charles A. Ferguson, Mary L. Ferguson, Martha E. Moody, Blanche E. Griffin. Winter term—Blanche E. Griffin.

DISTRICT NO. V.

Winter term-Hattie L. Burgess, Alice G. Burgess.

DISTRICT NO. VI.

Summer term-Alice M. Hill, Alvah A. Junkins.

Winter term—George E. Connor, Geo. W. Hunt, Alvah A. Junkins.

DISTRICT NO. VII.

Summer term—Matilda Cotter, Nellie Beard, Mary A. Donavan, Annie Moulton, Harry Watkins, Jessie Watkins, Ella Fields.

Winter term—Nellie Beard, Clara Fields, Mary A. Donavan, Dennis Donavan, George Allen.

DISTRICT NO. VIII.

Summer term—Percy Blood, Annie M. Blood, Clara M. Longa, Jacob H. Longa, Fred W. Longa, George E. Merrill.

Winter term—Charles H. Blood, Percy Blood, George E. Connor, Jacob H. Longa, George E. Merrill, Clara M. Longa.

DISTRICT NO. IX.

Summer term—David D. Henderson, Susie M. Walch, Annie F. Walch.

Winter term—Arthur Herrick, Susie M. Walch, Jennie M. Read, E. Edith Read, Amelia A. Henderson, Lena A. Henderson.

DISTRICT NO. XI.

Summer term—Etta M. Wilson, Lena M. York.

DISTRICT NO. XII.

Summer term—Fred Campbell, Everett L. Evans, Fred L. Evans, George F. Patterson, Viola Harris, Flora Hodgman, Susie A. Patterson.

Winter term—Fred Campbell, Everett L. Evans, Fred L. Evans, George F. Patterson, Eugene Shattuck, Lizzie Adams, Nettie Colcord, Flora Hodgman.

	J. L. McIntire.	D D Escapto	N. D. Fiells,		Tore Wittradas	Jere, mineuges	Wm T Parker.	WIII. I. Lainer		H & Could and	Tames I Burgess	Hiram Hunt	Triconn trans.	D R Hutchinson.	T.IV. II GEORGIANI	Iames Longa.	James consu	John G. Read.	Journal of the second		John H. Bowers.		D. O. Danforth.				
Amount of School Money.	\$114 79	0 - 0	26 62			350 59		155 94			105 93		95 11	200 62	132 0/	00 00	95 20		132 21		120.95		00 70				\$1,544 28
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Teachers.	Miss I aura E Fellows	ranta r.	Miss Fannie E. Brown		Miss Fannie A. Darrah		,, ,, ,,	Miss Mary E. Manning .		,, ,, ,, ,,	Miss Livinia I. Dodge				Miss Addie L. Flanders	,, ,, ,,	Miss Hortensia McMillen .	,, ,, ,,	Miss Ortie M. Smith	Miss Livinia I. Dodge		Miss Marie bowers		le C			Average for year \$23 63
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